Print the complete address in plain block letters in the panel below, and your return address in the space provided. Use typewriter, dark ink, or pencil. Write plainly. Very small writing is not suitable.

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(CENSOR'S STAMP)

To Mr. & Mrs. Sam Bank
Miss Lottie Bank
3018-7th Street,
Tuscaloosa, Ala., U.S.A.

From
Sgt. H.L.Bank, 20416637
(Sender's name)
Co M 167th Inf APO 31 % PM
(Sender's address)
S.F., Calif.
30 Aug 44
(Date)

Dearest Mother, Daddy, and Lottie:

I didn't get any mail for two days, but am writing anyway. I was out all night last night, and came in at 7 AM, then had a detail all day. I am really tired now, and am going to sleep early. It rained all day, and really rained today. I took a shower a few minutes, and washed a few clothes.

On the 25th of this month, I was awarded the Expert Infantry Badge, and was one of about 20 in the company that was awarded it. It means, mostly, only a $5.00 per month raise, and is retroactive to 1 Jan 44, which means I will draw $40.00. Right?

The news in all theaters are looking good, and I think by the end of Sep tember the Germans will give up. You watch my prediction. And by the first of the year the Japs will give up. Right?

I guess you are back from Hot Springs and had a good rest. I bet you had a hard time finding merchandise in Chicago, though. Right? Hope you found all of the folks alright.

We had cake for supper, and we got a lot of in reserve, and tonight about 9 PM we will make some hot cocoa and have a feast. Right? We are eating a lot better than we used to now. It's a bit of alright.

That is all for now, so be good, and write soon.

Love,

Herb

V-MAIL